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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This response is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed August 30, 2002, for the above-referenced patent application. A response to the Office Action was initially due on or before November 30, 2002, and thus, a Request For Extension Of Time and the requisite fee (\$205) are enclosed herewith. Therefore, this response is timely filed.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please replace claims 1, 17, and 32, and add new claims 37-45 as follows. All pending claims are reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience.

1. (Twice Amended) A sports commemorator comprising:
- an object comprising at least one of an actual sports related object usable by a participant in engaging in a sport and a representation of a sports related object usable by a participant in engaging in a sport;
 - a picture on a layer, said picture illustrating a scene relating to said sports related object;
 - a cover;
 - a support formed with forward and rearward portions;
 - said forward portion having an open interior for displaying said picture on said layer and said object superimposed with said cover;
 - said cover formed with first and second transparent portions, said first transparent portion serving to buttress said layer in said open interior, said second transparent portion conforming to the shape of said object in said open interior;
 - a forward interface between said forward portion and a peripheral portion of said cover; and
 - a rearward interface between said layer and said rearward portion,
- wherein said forward and rearward interfaces serve to secure said cover and said layer for displaying said picture behind said object and said cover in said open interior so that said sports related object is visually associated with and does not substantially obscure said scene.

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